

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)

Applicant(s): Cupp et al.

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Invention: DENTAL CARE PET FOOD

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2003, please amend the above identified patent application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 9 as follows:

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9. (Amended) A dried pet food comprising a gelatinized matrix comprising a protein source, a carbohydrate source, about 2% to about 15% by weight of insoluble fiber, about 0.5% to about 5% by weight of a humectant, and a moisture content ranging from about 3% to about 7% by weight.

Please add new Claims 29-32 as follows:

A2  
29. (Newly Added) A dried pet food comprising a matrix comprising a denatured protein source, a gelatinized carbohydrate source, about 2% to about 15% by weight insoluble fiber, a humectant in an amount sufficient for reducing brittleness of the matrix; and the dried pet food having a moisture content ranging from about 3% to about 7% by weight.

30. (Newly Added) A dried cat food kibble comprising a matrix comprising a gelatinized protein source, a gelatinized carbohydrate source, about 2% to about 15% by weight insoluble fiber, and a humectant in an amount sufficient for reducing brittleness of the matrix,

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